1717 33rd Street Bay City, MI 48708 **D**ecember 2, 2003

Supreme Court Clerk P.O. Box 30052 Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Madam Clerk:

I am writing regarding the asbestos illness which is under attack in the State of Michigan. I am pleading with you that you do not change the long-standing rule of law in Michigan which allows individuals with non-cancerous asbestos lung disease (that is, asbestosis) to seek and recover damages against the asbestos manufacturers and the property owners who allowed asbestosis to be used by workers.

The real crisis in Michigan is the failure of corporations to take responsibility for their bad actions and the willingness of big business and certain conservative republican judges to blame the victims of corporate misconduct instead of holding the corporations accountable.

In the State of Michigan, regarding asbestosis litigation, the crisis is the fact that big business, corporations, the asbestosis industry and law firms like Dickinson Wright feel free to try to take working peoples' lawsuits out of court and away from juries. In fact, in the last four years, there has been only one asbestosis case tried to verdict in the entire State of Michigan. All other cases settle before trial.

My Husband, Rudolph H. Treiber, passed away on 7-9-97, and both of his lungs were full of asbestosis. In fact, that is what is listed as cause of his death.

So please do not change the law!

Thank you!

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Marion A. Treiber

Marion a. Treiber